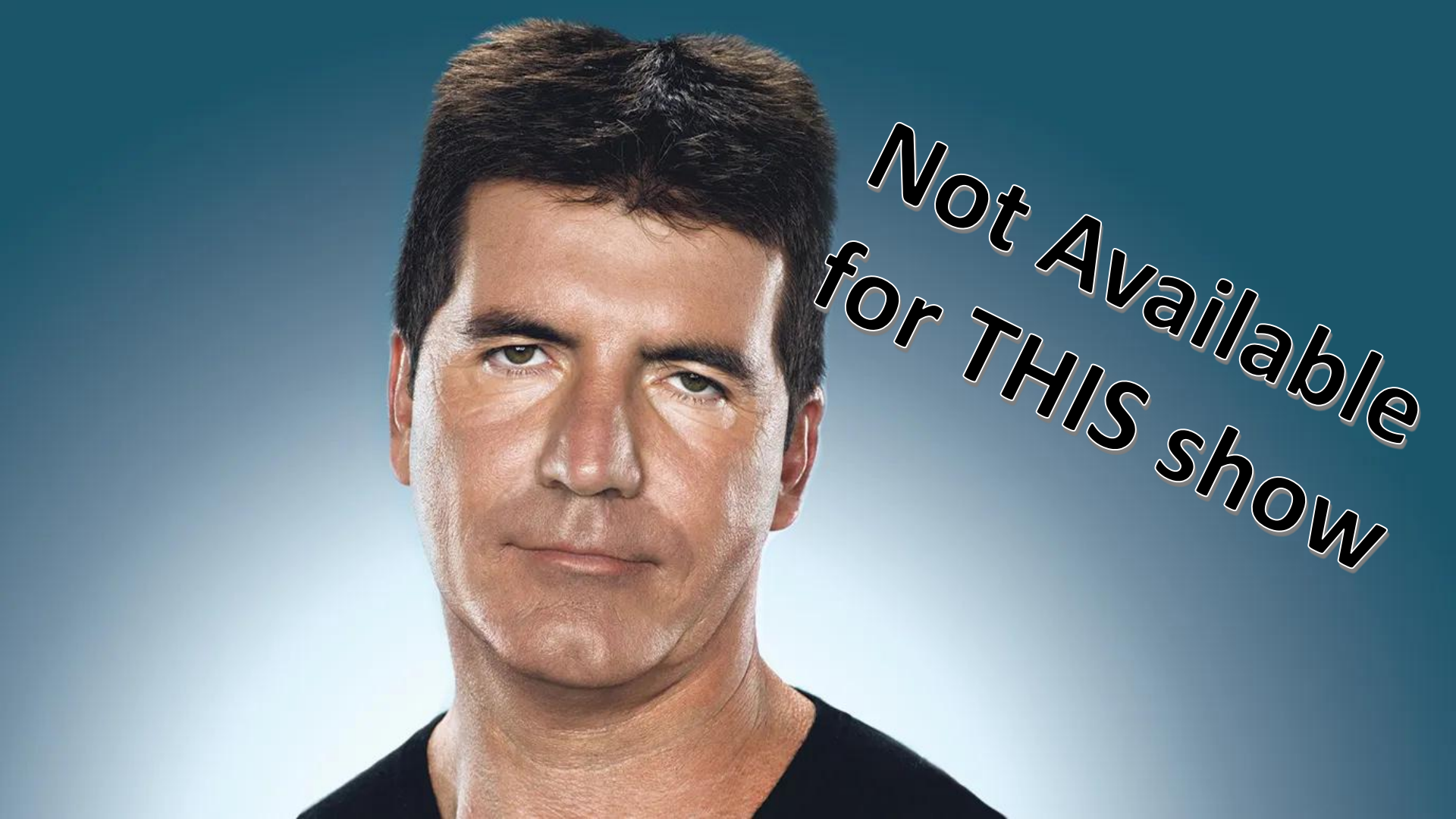
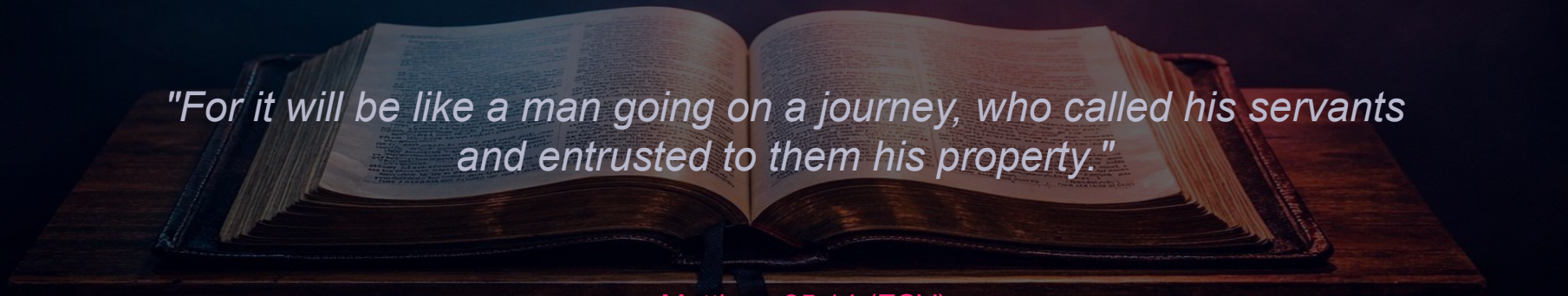

BELIEVERS GOT TALENT
Matthew 25:14–30


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SCRIPTURE FOCUS

Matthew 25:14–30



"For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property."

— Matthew 25:14 (ESV)

THE HOOK

Look Around This Room

We have people who remember black-and-white TV, and people who don't even know what a dial tone sounds like.

- *If we held a talent show today, we'd see everything from playing the accordion to setting up a TikTok account without crying.*



THE BIG IDEA

God Doesn't Care About Your Age or Your Retirement Status

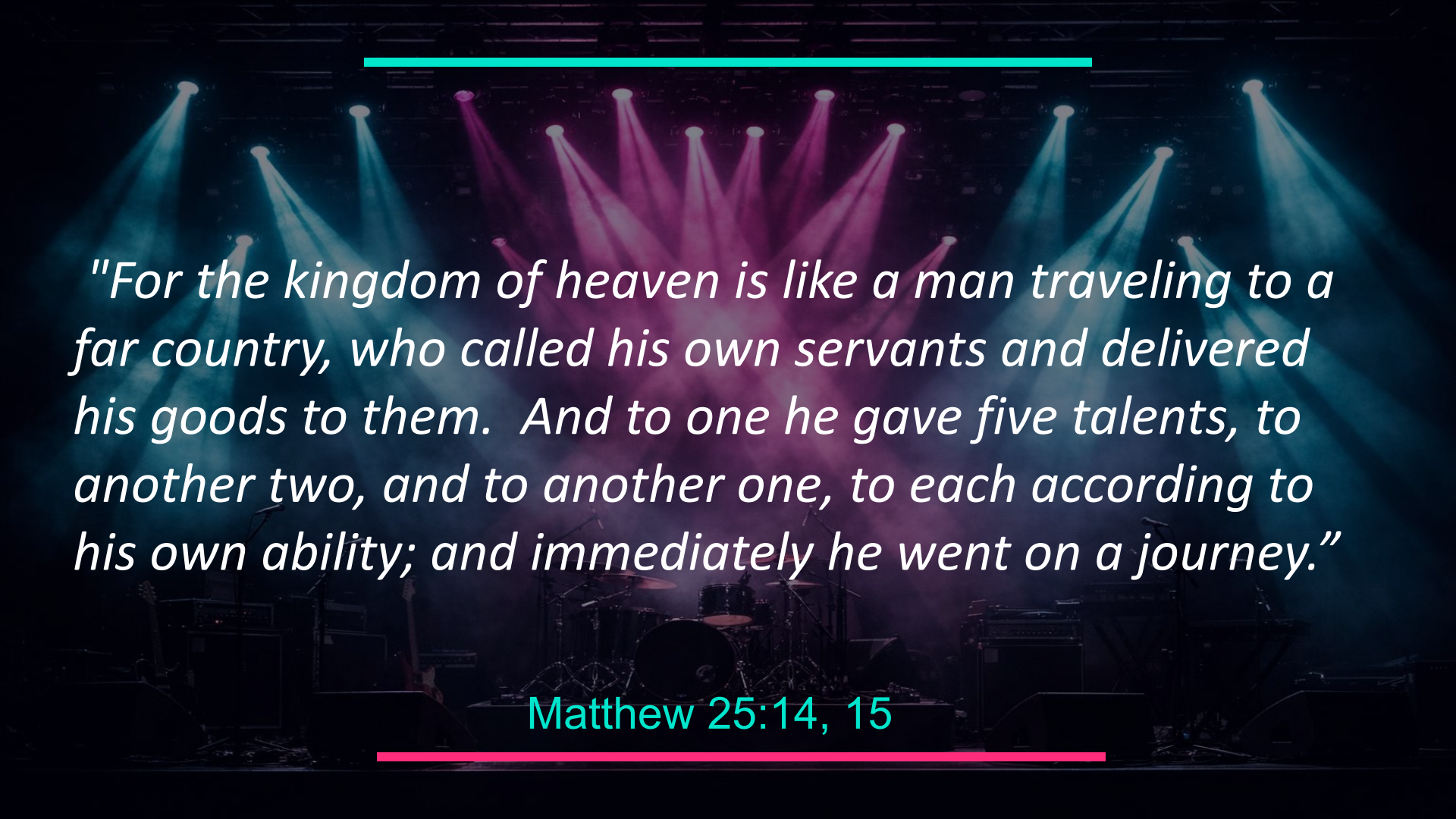
He invested heavily in you,
and He loves watching you use it.

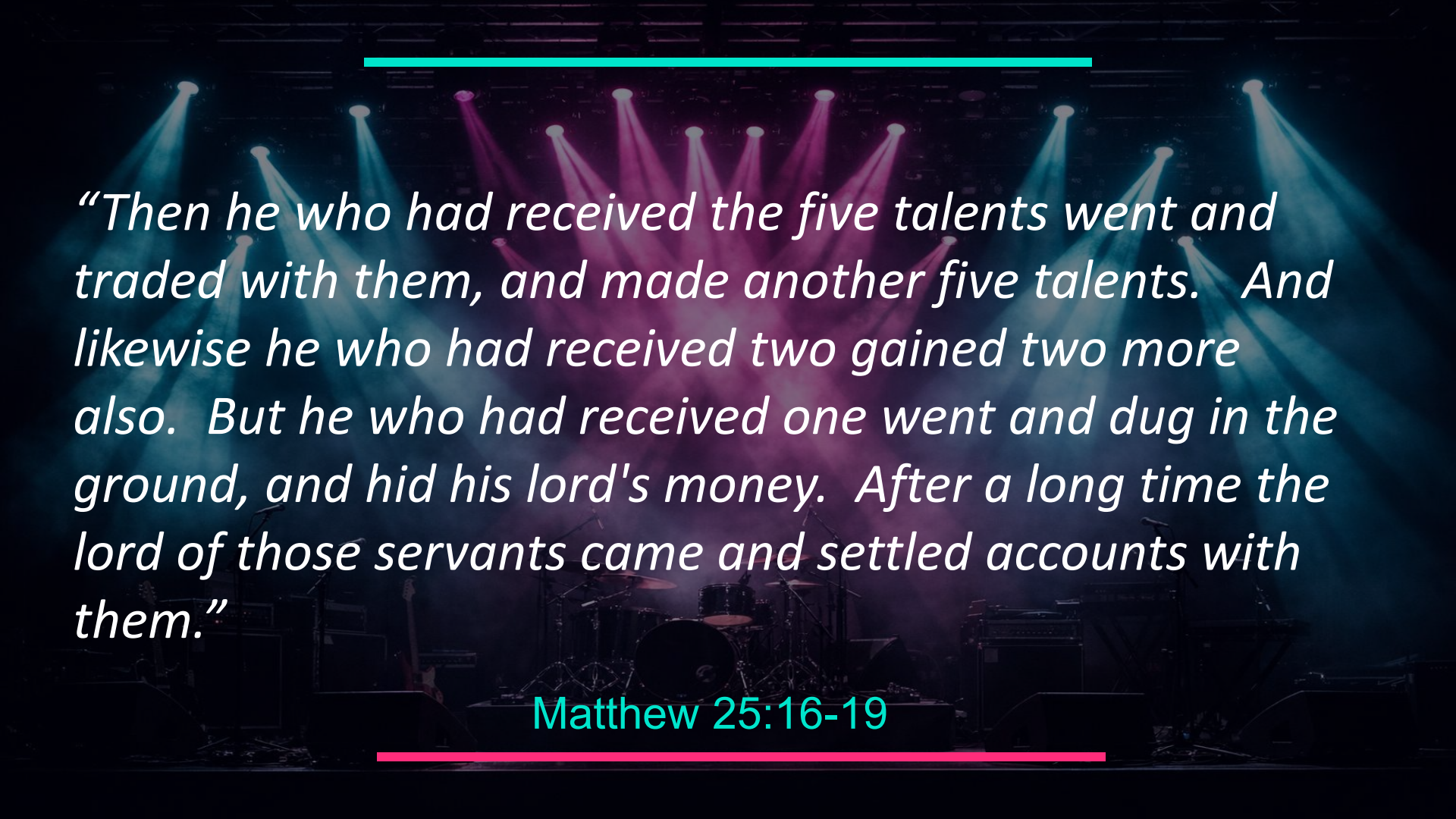
The VALUE of a single "talent" in the Scriptures was equal to 6,000 denarii (each denarii was considered ONE DAYS wage).

ONE "talent" was equal to 16 to 20 years of wages (in today's calculation between $600,000 to 1.4 million dollars)

A nice amount of CA$H to have!!!


POINT 1
THE DISTRIBUTION
What You Have is Given


"For the kingdom of heaven is like a man traveling to a far country, who called his own servants and delivered his goods to them. And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability; and immediately he went on a journey."
Matthew 25:14, 15



“Then he who had received the five talents went and traded with them, and made another five talents. And likewise he who had received two gained two more also. But he who had received one went and dug in the ground, and hid his lord's money. After a long time the lord of those servants came and settled accounts with them.”

Matthew 25:16-19

Matthew 25:15

"To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability."

1 Peter 4:10

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others..."

Every believer receives custom-tailored resources based on what God knows they can handle.



ILLUSTRATION

Packing Lunch Boxes

The teenager gets three sandwiches. The toddler gets sliced grapes.

The parent doesn't love the toddler less — they just know their capacity.

KEY TAKEAWAY

Stop Comparing Your Assignment to Someone Else's Capacity

God calibrated your gifts perfectly for you.


POINT 2
THE DEVELOPMENT
Multiplication Requires Action

Matthew 25:16

"The man who had received five talents went at once and put his money to work..."

Colossians 3:23

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord..."

God loves a bold, messy try much more than a safe, lazy excuse.

ILLUSTRATION

Grandma's Fine China

It sits in a cabinet for decades, gathering dust — safe but useless.

God did not put His Word inside you to turn you into a spiritual piece of fine china that nobody can touch.



KEY TAKEAWAY

Never Too Young to Start. Never Too Old to Retire from God's Service.



POINT 3

THE ACCOUNTABILITY

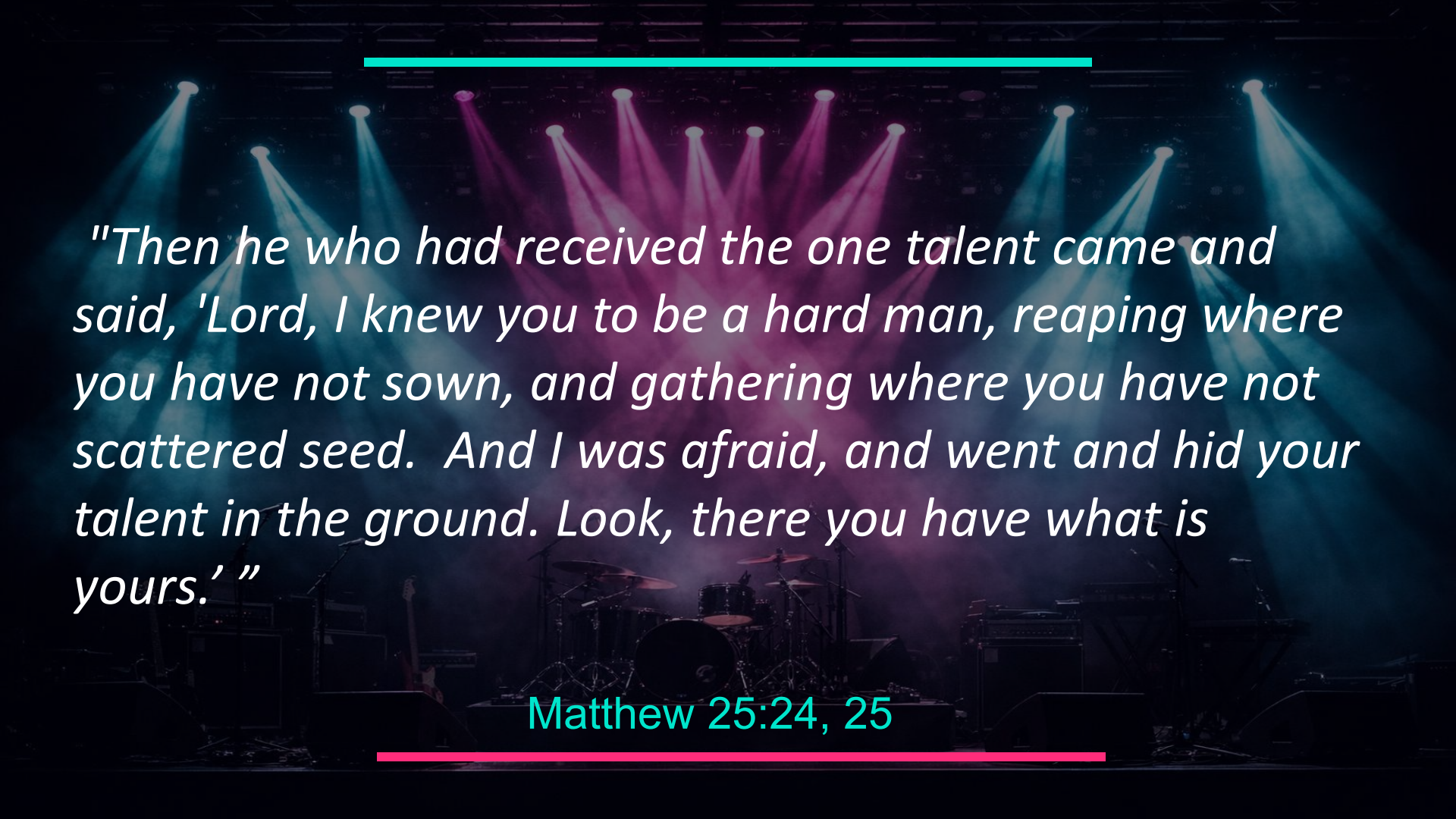
The Audit of the King

"So he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, 'Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents besides them.’ His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.’”

Matthew 25:20, 21

He also who had received two talents came and said, 'Lord, you delivered to me two talents; look, I have gained two more talents besides them.' His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'

Matthew 25:22, 23



"Then he who had received the one talent came and said, 'Lord, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered seed. And I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the ground. Look, there you have what is yours.' "

Matthew 25:24, 25

Matthew 25:21

"Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things."

Romans 14:12

"So then, each of us will give an account of ourselves to God."

True success is hearing the Master celebrate your effort, not your perfection.

THE THIRD SERVANT

Don't Let Fear Freeze Your Potential

He buried his talent because he was terrified. He told the boss: "I knew you were tough, so I hid your money in the dirt."

Our Master is not a harsh critic — He is a loving Father rooting for you to step out in faith.



"But his lord answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed. So you ought to have deposited my money with the bankers, and at my coming I would have received back my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to him who has ten talents."

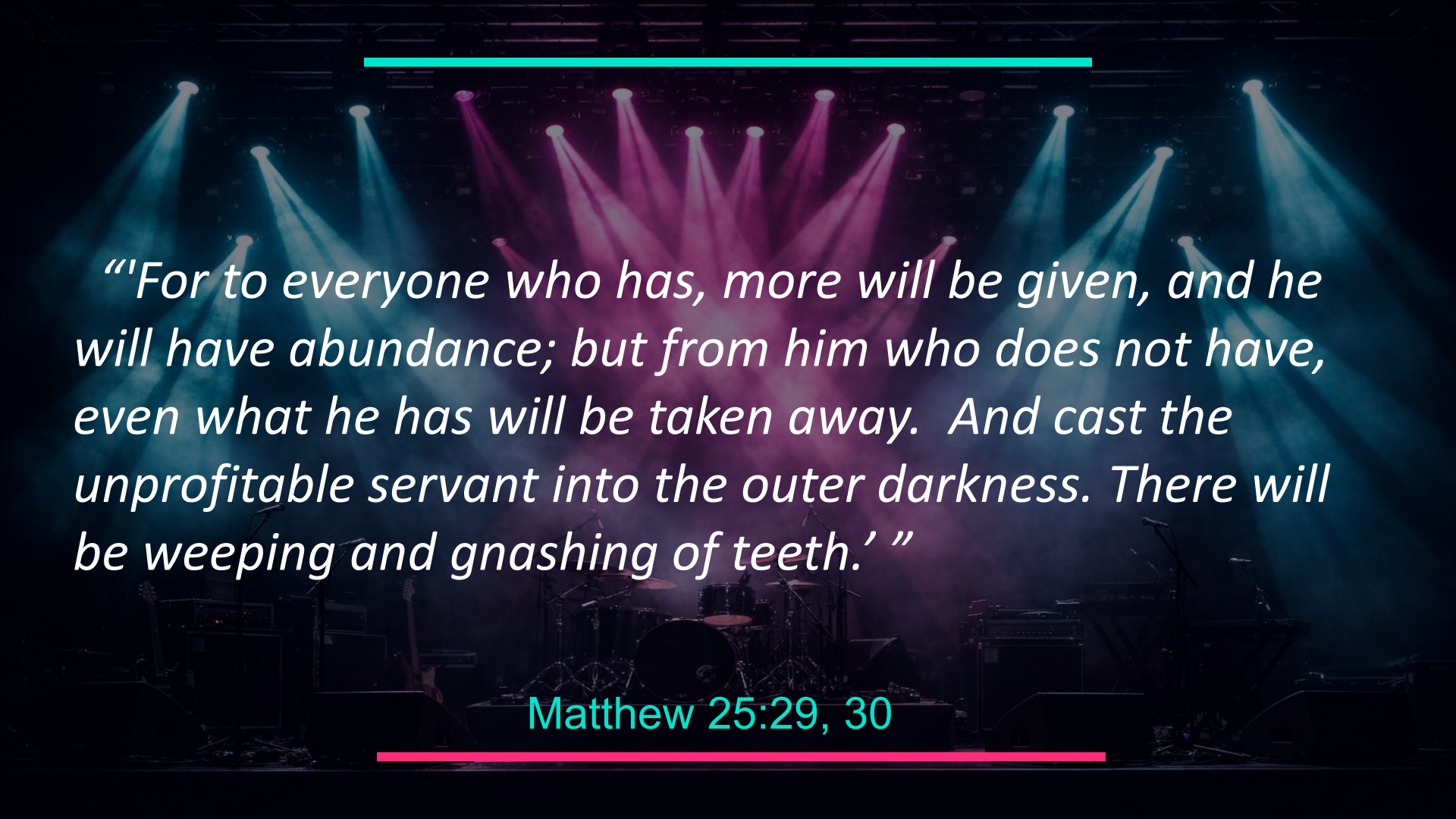
Matthew 25:26-28



DON'T LET FEAR BURY YOUR POTENTIAL

God believes in the investment He made in you.

Matthew 25:14–30



“'For to everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ”

Matthew 25:29, 30

CONCLUSION

Your Talent is God's Gift to You. What You Do with It is Your Joyful Gift Back to God.

01

Find Your Tool

Write down two things you're good at — even if it's just listening well or cooking a great meal.

02

Drop the Excuses

Stop saying "I'm too young to know how" or "I'm too old to care."

03

Take a Risk

Offer that gift to someone else before next Sunday. Teach, encourage, and get the kingdom moving!